

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

SUBJECT: **GUIDELINES FOR DETERMINING
INTERFACILITY LEVEL OF TRANSPORT**

(EMT, PARAMEDIC, MICN)
REFERENCE NO. 517.1

PATIENT CONDITION / TREATMENT	BLS	ALS	CCT*
Stable patient who requires no special care, may have the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foley catheter Gastrostomy tube Medication patch Nasogastric (NG) tube Patient controlled (or automated) medication pump that requires no intervention from transporting personnel Surgical drain Tracheostomy tube Ventricular assist device (VAD) 	✓		
Oxygen by mask or cannula	✓		
Heparin or saline lock	✓		
Peripheral IV without additives, maintained at a preset rate (<i>normal saline, lactated ringers or glucose solutions</i>)	✓		
Pre-existing vascular access device or peripherally inserted central catheter (PICC) line capped or with fluids infusing at a preset rate	✓		
Peripheral IV infusing at a TKO rate with the following medications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Folic Acid – maximum 1 mg/1000mL Multi-vitamins (MVI) – maximum 1 vial/1000mL Magnesium Sulfate – maximum 2 Grams/1000mL only in conjunction with MVI Thiamine – maximum 100 mg/1000mL 	✓		
Peripheral IV infusing at a preset rate via an infusion pump with the following medications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> KCL - maximum 20 mEq/1000mL Total Parenteral Nutrition (TPN) 	✓		
Stable patient who requires cardiac monitoring or may need paramedic level intervention		✓	
Peripheral IV with any medication listed in the Los Angeles County paramedic scope of practice, infused with or without an IV pump		✓	
Chest tube clamped or attached to a Heimlich valve or similar device		✓	
Stable or unstable patient who requires care outside the paramedic scope of practice			✓
Continuous ventilatory assistance via a ventilator required (<i>For stable patients, consider RCP staffed CCT transport</i>)			✓
Any intervention or therapy that is not within the Los Angeles County paramedic scope of practice including IV infusion of any drug to an unstable patient			✓
Chest tube to suction			✓
Central venous catheter with central venous pressure (CVP) monitoring device in place			✓
Arterial line in place			✓
Pulmonary artery line in place (e.g. Swan Ganz)			✓
Intracranial pressure (ICP) line in place			✓
Intra-aortic balloon pump			✓
Transvenous pacemaker			✓
Standing orders written by transferring facility physician or provider agency medical director			✓

*Includes RN and/or RCP staffed CCT transports – Consult with CCT Coordinator/Medical Director for specific indications for RN and/or RCP staffing of CCT transports.

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